April 7, 2009

Dear :

This letter is to inform you that the Louisiana Department of Natural Resources (DNR) will be managing the disbursement of Energy Efficiency and Conservation Energy Block Grant (EECBG) funding allocated to Louisiana's cities and parishes according to the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) of 2009.

Louisiana's top 10 cities by population will receive funds directly from the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE); however, the remaining cities and parishes will be eligible to receive grant funds through DNR. Louisiana will disburse funds for eligible programs set forth in the Energy Independence and Security Act (EISA) of 2007 and in the recently released DOE programmatic guidelines. A fact sheet and brief outline of approved programs is attached; however, please visit DNR's web site at http://dnr.louisiana.gov to view the DOE guidelines in their entirety.

In order to facilitate this process, DNR will be hosting a question and answer session to help our communities prepare to receive these grant funds. Please plan on joining us on Tuesday, April 21st from 9:00am to 12:00pm at:

The Hilton Baton Rouge Capitol Center Governor Room 201 Lafayette Street Baton Rouge, LA 70801 225-344-5866

If you have any questions regarding the workshop, please contact Tangular Jones at 225-342-8572. If you are not able to attend this workshop, please check DNR's website regularly as we will continue to post updates to the program.

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On behalf of the State of Louisiana, I look forward to working closely with you and your communities to develop and implement energy conservation and renewable energy programs for a greener Louisiana.

Very truly yours,

Scott A. Angelle Secretary

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cc: Lori LeBlanc, Deputy Secretary, Department of Natural Resources